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DATE: 12 OCT 2024

ANNUAL SPORTS DAY (PRIMARY WING)

The rhythmic beats of the marching band, the electrifying cheers of enthusiastic parents, and the determined faces of young athletes set the stage for GD Goenka Baramulla's much-awaited Annual Sports Day Event. Held amidst much anticipation, this spectacular event was a testament to the school's unwavering belief in the pivotal role of sports in shaping young minds and bodies.

The event was graced by the esteemed presence of DIG North, Shri Maqsood-ul-Zaman, who honoured the occasion as the chief guest. His words of encouragement struck a chord with the young athletes as he spoke about the profound impact of sports in building character, fostering teamwork, and instilling resilience.

The day featured an exciting blend of athletic events like sprints and relays, alongside cultural performances that showcased creativity and talent. Parents and teachers cheered enthusiastically as students displayed exceptional energy, teamwork, and determination. Each event was a celebration of effort, perseverance, and teamwork, underscoring the values GD Goenka Baramulla holds dear. As the event concluded, GD Goenka Baramulla reaffirmed its commitment to providing holistic education—one that nurtures the mind, body, and soul.



DATE: 13 OCT 2024

ANNUAL SPORTS DAY (PRE-PRIMARY WING)

With boundless energy and excitement, the Annual Sports Day for the Pre-Primary Wing brought together fun, competition, and creativity, allowing our little ones to shine in their own special way. The event, filled with enthusiasm and joy, was graced by the presence of ADC Sopore, Mr. Shabir Ahmad Raina, who graced the occasion as the chief guest, offering words of encouragement and inspiration to the young participants.

The day featured an array of fun and engaging sports activities designed to captivate the children's imagination and challenge their physical abilities in a playful manner. In addition to the athletic events, the little ones charmed the audience with their delightful cultural performances. The unwavering support and cheers from the parents added an unmatched energy, making the day truly unforgettable.

The Annual Sports Day for the Pre-Primary Wing showcased GD Goenka's commitment to fostering holistic development by offering activities that nurture physical skills, creativity, and teamwork from an early age. Through such experiences, the school ensures that every child grows in a supportive environment, building confidence and a strong foundation for future success.



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DATE: 25 OCT 2024

COMMUNITY HELPERS ACTIVITY



Community helpers are the backbone of every thriving society, playing essential roles that often go unnoticed but are vital to our everyday lives. To help students understand the importance of these roles, a special activity was organized for Grade 1st students. Dressed as various community helpers, the students played their respective roles, bringing to life the contributions of these professionals in a fun and engaging way. This hands-on activity not only made the students aware of the various community helpers but also helped them understand the value of each role and how it positively impacts our lives. At GD Goenka, activities like these showcase the school's commitment to providing holistic education, ensuring that students not only learn academics but also understand essential values like responsibility, teamwork, and respect. These experiences help cultivate a sense of empathy and appreciation for the community helpers who make our world a better place.

DATE: 02 NOV 2024

STEP INTO THE WILD

Activity-based learning is an essential part of early childhood education, as it not only makes learning enjoyable but also enhances critical thinking, creativity, and understanding. By actively engaging in hands-on experiences, young learners are better able to grasp important concepts and develop meaningful connections with what they learn.

In this spirit, the pre-primary wing of GD Goenka Baramulla organized an exciting Animal Costume Activity where children had the opportunity to step into the world of wildlife and celebrate nature in a fun and interactive way. Dressed as various animals, from the mighty lion to the playful monkey, the students brought these creatures to life.

But this activity wasn't just about dressing up it was a powerful opportunity to teach the young minds about the wonders of the animal kingdom and the responsibility we share in safeguarding these creatures. The event was a vibrant celebration of the natural world, reinforcing the importance of compassion, respect, and responsibility that we should have towards the animals and the environment.

It is through these creative activities that GD Goenka Baramulla fosters a deep connection between students and the world around them, encouraging them to become compassionate and responsible citizens of the future.



DATE: 06 NOV 2024

INTERNATIONAL STRESS AWARENESS DAY

International Stress Awareness Day, observed globally in the first wednesday of November, aims to raise awareness about the importance of mental health and its profound impact on overall well-being. In today's fast-paced world, where stress and pressure often take centre stage, maintaining mental health has never been more crucial.

In observance of this day, GD Goenka Baramulla organized an insightful seminar on the theme **"Is Mental Illness a Disability"**. The session was led by the esteemed psychologist Ms. Laila Qureshi, who shared her expertise and provided valuable insights on the importance of mental health, particularly in today's fast-paced and pressure-filled environment. Ms. Qureshi emphasized the need for mental well-being and discussed practical steps that students can take to improve their mental health, such as managing stress, practicing mindfulness, and seeking support when needed. The seminar concluded with a lively Q&A session, where students eagerly engaged and sought advice on various aspects of mental health.



DATE: 06 & 07 NOV 2024

DISTRICT WUSHU CHAMPIONSHIP

In a world where sports play a crucial role in shaping young minds and bodies, GD Goenka Baramulla continues to encourage its students to embrace physical activities that enhance both their mental and physical well-being. The District Wushu Championship, held on 6th and 7th November at Shaukat Ali Stadium, Baramulla, provided a platform for young athletes to showcase their strength, agility, discipline, dedication and resilience.

The championship, which included sub-junior categories, saw students from different schools across the district competing in a series of intense matches. GD Goenka Baramulla was proudly represented by five talented students, each of whom demonstrated remarkable skills on the mat.

Through sheer determination and exceptional training, the students delivered outstanding performances. Their unwavering focus and tireless effort earned them top honours, with four students winning gold medals and one earning a silver. These victories reflect not only their individual talent but also the strong sporting culture fostered at GD Goenka Baramulla.



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CHILDRENS DAY CELEBRATIONS



Children's Day, celebrated every year on November 14th, marks the birth anniversary of the first Prime Minister of India- Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, affectionately known as Chacha Nehru. His deep love and commitment to children, always believing they are the future of the nation is the reason why his birthday is celebrated as Children's Day.

At GD Goenka Baramulla, this special occasion was celebrated with immense enthusiasm and joy. The celebration began with an engaging assembly where the teachers took centre stage, reversing roles and beginning the assembly in place of the students. This fun and interactive twist set the tone for the day. The teachers' words of warmth and encouragement made the students feel special and appreciated, showing the nurturing care they receive at school. Every child was given personalized greeting card as tokens of affection, representing the love and care teachers have for them. The joy on the children's faces was evident as they received these heartfelt cards, which made them feel special and loved.

Children's Day at GD Goenka Baramulla was more than just a celebration; it was a day to express gratitude for the innocence, energy, and creativity that children bring to the world. The event was a reminder of the importance of nurturing young minds and fostering an environment where every child feels valued, cared for, and supported.

DATE: 09 - 16 DEC 2024

GRADUATION WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Graduation Day stands as a momentous occasion, commemorating the academic triumphs and milestones attained by students, symbolizing the successful culmination of one chapter and the promising embarkation into the next. At GD Goenka Baramulla, the graduation week was celebrated in a grand and heartwarming manner, with students from grades 1 to 5 each having their own special day to shine. The atmosphere was filled with pride and joy as students, dressed in their graduation gowns, walked down the aisle to collect their certificates and marksheets. This momentous walk was not only a reflection of their academic success but also a celebration of their growth as individuals. The children, with beaming smiles, stood proudly before their parents and teachers, their hearts swelling with accomplishment. Parents, equally elated, were filled with pride as they witnessed their children's achievements. Their joy was palpable as they cheered and clapped for their young scholars, who were ready to move on to the next academic level. The event brought together families, students, and educators in a unified celebration of hard work, commitment, and the endless possibilities that lay ahead.

The Graduation Day ceremony was more than just an academic formality; it was a tribute to the core values that GD Goenka Baramulla instils in its students: perseverance, discipline, and the pursuit of excellence. It served as a reminder that every success, big or small, is a step towards personal growth and future achievements.



DATE: 14 DEC 2024

HYDRO-SENSE**(PIONEERING SUSTAINABLE WATER MANAGEMENT)**

Innovation thrives at GD Goenka Baramulla, where students are empowered to address real-world challenges with creativity and technology. Among the school's standout initiatives, the Hydro-sense project exemplifies this spirit. Developed by the talented duo Rayaana Zargar (Grade 7) and Shah Aaban (Grade 8), under the mentorship of Er. Zahid Rashid, Hydro-sense is an innovative IoT-based water management system. Designed to reduce water wastage, it uses IR sensors, micro submersible pumps, relays, and the ESP8266 NodeMCU to automate and optimize water flow.

The project combined theoretical learning about IoT and sustainability with hands-on experience in the school's robotics lab, where the students built, programmed, and tested the prototype. Hydro-sense was showcased at the **School Innovation Marathon-2024** and **PRAGAASH-2024**, earning acclaim for its potential to revolutionize water conservation.

The success of this project not only underscores its significance in addressing global challenges like water wastage but also highlights the transformative potential of young minds. Guided by the right mentorship and equipped with vision and determination, this initiative demonstrates how creativity and ingenuity can lead to meaningful change.



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GOENKANS IN OLYMPIADS

The Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF) is a global platform that nurtures and promotes academic excellence among students through challenging and stimulating olympiads.

Its primary aim is to inspire young learners to excel academically while providing them with exposure to global standards of education and competition. Students of GD Goenka Baramulla proudly participated in the SOF Olympiad this year, displaying remarkable talent and determination. Among the many brilliant participants, **Abu Hammad Ilahi** of **Grade 1** made the school immensely proud by securing the coveted International Rank 1 in the International English Olympiad (IEO) and receiving a gold medal for his outstanding performance. His remarkable achievement is a testament to his dedication and the school's commitment to fostering academic brilliance and holistic development.

Participation in such Olympiads empowers students to explore their potential, sharpen their skills, and build confidence in their academic pursuits. The success of GD Goenka Baramulla's students at the SOF Olympiad is a testament to the school's emphasis on nurturing students to excel and thrive in an ever-evolving world.



THE WORLD'S BIGGEST OLYMPIADS	
SOF OLYMPIADS	
Final Result of SOF IEO: International English Olympiad 2024-25	
Final Result	
STUDENT NAME:	ABU HAMMAD ILAHI
ROLL NO:	JK4972-01-X-035
CLASS:	01
SECTION:	X
SCHOOL:	GD GOENKA PUBLIC SCHOOL, BARAMULLA JAMMU & KASHMIR
MARKS SCORED:	40/40
PERCENTAGE:	100.00
PERCENTILE SCORE:	99.990727
SCHOOL RANK:	1
REGIONAL RANK:	1
ZONAL RANK:	1
INTERNATIONAL RANK:	1
SCHOOL AWARD WON:	Student Progress Report (SPR)
ZONAL AWARD WON:	N.A.
INTERNATIONAL AWARD WON:	Rs. 5,000, International Gold Medal, Certificate of Outstanding Performance, Gold Medal of Distinction, Certificate of



GD Goenka Group, founded by the progressive and visionary philanthropist Shri. Anjani Kumar Goenka, is a leading educational conglomerate dedicated to providing holistic, world-class education in India. The group operates an extensive network of preschools and K-12 schools across the country, offering a diverse range of curricula. Pioneering advancements in educational infrastructure, technology, pedagogy, and best practices, GD Goenka has created modern campuses with state-of-the-art facilities that inspire and nurture a dynamic learning environment.

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